HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 827

By Tidwell

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Jaycee Rawlings of Humphreys County.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the death of Jaycee Rawlings; and

WHEREAS, Jaycee Rawlings was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Rawlings served with acumen and alacrity as the County Executive of Humphreys County, in which position he earned the respect of his peers and community alike for the exemplary quality of his leadership; and

WHEREAS, Jaycee Rawlings dedicated the greater part of his life to serving the people of Humphreys County; after his retirement from E.I. DuPont in 1994 with more than thirty-four years of service, Mr. Rawlings was elected to his first term as County Executive; and

WHEREAS, at the time of his death, Mayor Rawlings was serving his fourth term as

County Executive of Humphreys County; during his career in public service, he further served
on the Humphreys County School Board for twelve years and the Humphreys County Board of
Commissioners for twelve years; and

WHEREAS, a member of the Meriwether Lewis Electric Cooperative Board of Directors for thirty years, Mayor Rawlings also served as a member of the Waverly Rotary Club, the Waverly Exchange Club, and the Waverly Civitan Club; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Jaycee Rawlings was an active and devout member of the First Baptist Church of Waverly, which he served faithfully for many years; and

WHEREAS, Jaycee Rawlings was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, he enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife, Ramona Rochelle
Rawlings, who preceded him in death, and was the proud father of Jaynee Rochelle Holland,
Celia LuRae Buchalski, and Marva Lynn Rawlings; and

WHEREAS, Jaycee Rawlings was the devoted and doting grandfather of Jimmy Rochelle Holland, Jaycelyn Raye Holland, Lucy Catharine Buchalski, and Allie Cecelia Buchalski; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Jaycee Rawlings leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Jaycee Rawlings, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Rawlings.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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